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INF Monitoring

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SUBJECT: Preparations for Monitoring INF Treaty

1. The INF Monitoring Staff, under the INF Treaty Monitoring Manager, has now reached a critical (although still small) mass. We are prepared to begin work on the tasks assigned to us, relieving CIA's Arms Control Intelligence Staff (ACIS) of their previous requirement to monitor the INF Treaty. The INF Monitoring Staff will use the SAMWG for coordination and tasking as required.

2. The INF Monitoring Staff has three major functions:

-- To coordinate Agency assessments of Soviet Treaty-related activity into all-source, Intelligence Community INF monitoring assessments.

-- To coordinate Community views on collection requirements to support INF monitoring, and to provide Community tasking to the collectors for support to the monitoring process.

-- To work with the On-Site Inspection Agency (OSIA), which will conduct the inspections of Soviet facilities, in order to provide them collection guidance and to receive information obtained from the inspections.

3. The primary output from our staff will probably be an "INF Monitoring Report", to be produced quarterly during the first year after ratification, and between two and four times per year afterward. Hence, if the Treaty is ratified by the end of April, we will need to publish a report by September.

4. The INF Monitoring Staff will be coordinating, rather than generating assessments of Soviet activities and missile systems. Consequently, we will need to work closely with analysts throughout the Community, and would appreciate participation by your Agency in two separate working groups, each to be headed by a member of my staff.

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5. The Soviet INF Activity Group (SIAG), to be chaired initially by [ ] Deputy TMM, will provide a forum for analysts from all IC agencies to review and compare assessments of Soviet activities and missile systems. This working group will offer opportunities for resolution of some conflicting assessments, and clarification of reasons for conflict for others. Community coordinated papers should be published on key issues, and the group will offer a forum for coordinating papers produced by individual agencies, such as the NPIC monthly summary of INF related activity. Addressees are requested to send representatives to an initial meeting at 1000 on 16 March in Room 2C40, CIA Headquarters.

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6. The second working group will be the INF Collection Requirements Committee (ICRC). The purpose of this Committee is to develop from the agencies' separate collection requirements, Community-blessed collection targets for submission to the Collection Committees. Many imagery target sets have already been developed under the guidance of the Strategic Arms Monitoring Working Group (SAMWG). Since the INF monitoring tasks have been transferred to my office, the ICRC will continue the work already begun under SAMWG, updating existing collection plans as required and developing those that are still needed. The ICRC will set up subcommittees or working groups as required, each dealing with a separate collection discipline. The ICRC will be chaired by [ ] of my staff. Addressees are requested to send representatives to an organizational meeting which will be held 21 March at 1000 in Room 7D32, CIA Headquarters.

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7. Please provide names and clearances of attendees at the meetings noted in paragraphs 5 and 6, above, to [ ] [ ] Also, if not already designated, points of contact for INF monitoring issues are needed for each agency.

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